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The Official Carver Elementary School Newsletter from the Office of the Principal

State Testing

May 3rd - May 13th

May Day T-Shirt Money Due (Final Date)

May 11th

PTA Meeting

Thursday, May 12, 2016 @ 5:30 pm

May Day

May 20th

6th Grade Awards/ Promotion/Social

May 23rd

3rd-5th Awards Day

May 24th

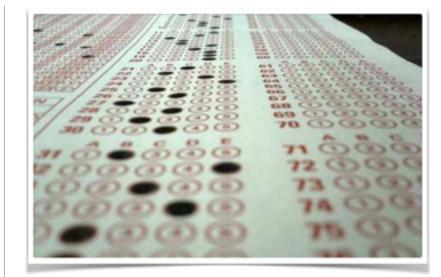
3rd Grade @ 9:00 am

4th Grade @ 12:00 pm

5th Grade @ 1:30 pm

Last Day of School

May 27th



Testing, Testing, 1, 2, 3

State Testing season is here and we are deep in it! Our 5th graders took the Mississippi State Science Test on May 3rd. The Mississippi Assessment Program Testing for all grades in Reading and Math began on May 4th. Testing actually started back in April with our 3rd Graders taking the MKAS2 (Reading Gate). These tests are conducted online in Reading, Math, and Science. Reading has a written part in which students are required to read passages and respond. The Reading and Math Tests are very rigorous and based on the Common Core Curriculum that issuing taught in Mississippi. Continue ensuring that students are wellrested and mentally prepared for testing each day!





Social Media

Social Media Applications such as Facebook, Snap Chat, Instagram, and Twitter, to name a few, have been tools created to help people connect with others. However, just as these tools can be used in a positive way, schools are increasingly seeing them used in a negative way. Students are getting into altercations through these apps, and bringing a lot of the chaos to school! In many cases, most parents are not even aware of what their child is posting or writing. Children can even hide what they write from their parents! Below are 6 Parent Tips for helping ensure your child is using Social Media in the correct way:

- Set up the account for your child. (This way you know the log-in and can check regularly.)
- 2. Set the privacy settings. (This can control who can contact your child or see their page.)
- 3. Monitor who they friend.
- Allow them to use social media in moderation. (Too much is dangerous.)
- 5. If your child is on Facebook, you need to be on Facebook (or any other application).
- 6. Know the risks and benefits of social media.

Feedback Needed!

Parents, Guardians, and Community Members, we need your input! Schools in our school district receive large amounts of federal money from our government to put initiatives into place that supports all children. Federal money for Carver has been used to hire assistant teachers, to hire a nurse, to hire a parent liaison, to add technology to classrooms, and to provide other resources in class. This money is also used to help train teachers and even bring consultants who help teachers improve their practices into our buildings. **You have a voice in how funds are spent at Carver!** Please follow the steps below to share your input!

- 1. Go to <u>www.sunflower.k12.ms.us</u>
- 2. Click on "Schools" and go down to click on "Carver Elementary School".
- 3. On our page, you will see a heading that says "Surveys".
- 4. Click on the survey that fits you ("Parent" or "Community")
- 5. Complete the survey!

